

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A digital camera which accesses a recording medium having a plurality of folders to store a plurality of image files to each of which a file number is assigned, comprising:

~~an attacher to be attached with a recording medium in which a plurality of folders for managing a plurality of image files are formed;~~

a first pointer to point any one of the plurality of folders formed in said recording medium as a record destination folder;

a second pointer to point any one of the plurality of folders formed in said recording medium as a reproducing destination folder;

~~an imaging device for imaging a subject;~~

a third pointer to point any one of the image files stored in said reproducing destination folder;

a writer for writing a new image file ~~including~~ accommodating photographed image data ~~of a subject image which is imaged by said imaging device~~ to the record destination folder when a recording instruction is issued; and

a first changer to change a point destination of said second pointer and a point destination of said third pointer to a point destination of said first pointer ~~in response to the recording instruction;~~ and the new image file, respectively, in association with a writing process of said writer, wherein said writer includes a detector to detect a maximum file number from among the file numbers which are assigned to the image files stored in the record destination folder, and an assigner to assign a file number continuous from the maximum file number detected by said detector to the new image file

~~a reproducer for reproducing an image file stored in the reproducing destination folder when a reproducing instruction is issued;~~

~~said digital camera further comprising: a file number assigner for assigning file numbers capable of being overlapped between the folders to the image files; and a third pointer for holding a file number of an image file to be reproduced, wherein the image file to be reproduced is specified by said second pointer and said third pointer.~~

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): A digital camera according to claim 1, further comprising a folder number assigner for assigning different folder numbers respectively to the folders formed in said recording medium, wherein said first pointer holds a folder number of the record destination folder, said second pointer holds a folder number of the reproducing destination folder, and said first changer sets the folder number held by said

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first pointer to said second pointer.

Claims 3-4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A digital camera according to claim 1, further comprising: a selector for selecting ~~an arbitrary~~ a designated folder as the reproducing destination folder; and a ~~third~~ second changer for changing only the pointing destination of said second pointer among said first pointer and said second pointer to a folder selected by said selector.

Claim 6 (New): A digital camera according to claim 1, further comprising a reproducer for reproducing an image file specified by said second pointer and said third pointer when a reproducing instruction is issued.